Miniratna Public Sector Enterprises investing in public sector mutual funds subject to certain conditions.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

World Bank assistance to State co-operatives

†354. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that World Bank has provided an assistance of 60 crore dollars to bring in improvement in the functioning of State Co-operatives, District Co-operative bank and agriculture loan societies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are formulating any scheme to enable the above mentioned institutes to meet out financial needs of the poor farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Out of the total financial package of Rs. 13,596 crore, for strengthening the Short Term Rural Cooperative Credit Structure (STCCS) in the country comprising State Cooperative Banks (SCBs), District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs) and Primary Agriculture Credit Societies (PACS), the Asian Development Bank and World Bank have agreed to provide an assistance of US$1000 million and US$600 million respectively to the Government of India. The World Bank assistance is proposed in the form of loan of US$300 million from International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and a credit of SDR 196.8 million (equivalent to US$ 300 million) from International Development Association (IDA).

(c) and (d) The Government has approved a revival package to strengthen Short Term Rural Cooperative Credit Structure (STCCS). The States willing to implement the package are required to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Central Government and NABARD for carrying out certain legal and institutional reforms.

Financial assistance for STCCS under, the package is available for cleansing of Balance Sheet as on 31st March, 2004 and increasing the capital to a specified minimum level subject to legal and institutional reforms. In order to ensure that STCCS continues on sound financial, managerial and governance norms, technical assistance is to be provided to upgrade institutional and human resources of STCCS, computerization and setting up proper internal control and accounting systems.

Losses in Regional Rural Banks

†355. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) number of Regional Rural Banks functioning in the country at present;

(b) the details of the branches of these banks, State-wise;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether it is a fact that some of these banks are running in losses;

(d) if so, whether Government propose to strengthen rural banks; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) The total number of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) functioning in the country, as on date, is 96.

(b) As on 31st March, 2007, RRBs have 14,519 branches. State-wise and RRB-wise details of branches are furnished in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) As per provisional figures given by NABARD, 16 RRBs incurred losses during the year, 2006-07.

(d) and (e) The Government has decided to recapitalise RRBs having negative net worth in a phased manner. As per provisional figures (unaudited) for March 31, 2007, there were 29 RRBs having negative net worth, comprising 11 amalgamated RRBs and 18 stand alone RRBs. The modalities of the recapitalization are being worked out

Statement

RRB-wise/State-wise number of branches as on 31 March, 2007 (unaudited)

Sl. No.	Name of RRB	Sponsor Bank	Total No. of branches
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikash Bank	State Bank of India	483
2.	Andhra Pragathi Grameena Bank	Syndicate Bank	332
3.	Chaitanya Godavari Grameena Bank	Andhra Bank	89
4.	Deccan Grameena Bank	State Bank of Hyderabad	166
5.	Saptagiri Grameena Bank	Indian Bank	103
	ANDHRA PRADESH TOTAL		1173
6.	Arunachal Pradesh Rural Bank	State Bank of India	17
	ARUNACHAL PRADESH TOTAL		17
7.	Assam Grameen Vikash Bank	United Bank of India	355
8.	Langpi Dehangi Rural Bank	State Bank of India	43
	ASSAM TOTAL		398
9.	Bihar Kshetriya Gramin Bank	UCO Bank	151
10.	Kosi Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	164
11.	Madhya Bihar Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	407

1	2	3	4
12.	Samastipur Kshetriya Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	67
13.	Uttar Bihar Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	677
	BIHAR TOTAL		1466
14.	Chhattisgarh Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	237
15.	Durg-Rajnandgaon Gramin Bank	Dena Bank	101
16.	Surguja Ksehtriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	83
	CHHATTISGARH TOTAL		421
17.	Baroda Gujarat Gramin Bank	Bank of Baroda	127
18.	Dena Gujarat Gramin Bank	Dena Bank	131
19.	Saurashtra Gramin Bank	State Bank of Saurashtra	131
	GUJARAT TOTAL		389
20.	Gurgaon Gramin Bank	Syndicate Bank	135
21.	Haryana Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	183
	HARYANA TOTAL		318
22.	Himachal Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	112
23.	Parvatiya Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	28
	HIMACHAL PRADESH TOTAL		140
24.	Ellaquai Dehati Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	101
25.	Jammu Rural Bank	J&K Bank Ltd.	90
26.	Kamraz Rural Bank	J&K Bank Ltd.	76
	JAMMU & KASHMIR TOTAL		267
27.	Jharkhand Gramin Bank	Bank of India	210
28.	Vananchal Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	178
	JHARKHAND TOTAL		388
29.	Cauvery Kalpatharu Grameena Bank	State Bank of Mysore	203
30.	Chickmagalur Kodagu Gramin Bank	Corporation Bank	48
31.	Karnataka Vikash Gramin Bank	Syndicate Bank	392
32.	Krishna Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	106
33.	Pragathi Gramin Bank	Canara Bank	351
34.	Visveshwaraya	Vijaya Bank	25
	KARNATAKA TOTAL		1125
35.	North Malabar Gramin Bank	Syndicate Bank	163

1	2	3	4
36.	South Malabar Gramin Bank	Canara Bank	218
	KERALA TOTAL		381
37.	Chambal Gwalior Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	59
38.	Jhabua Dhar Khsetriya Gramin Bank	Bank of Baroda	79
39.	Madhya Bharath Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	208
40.	Mahakaushal Kshetriya Gramin Bank	UCO Bank	42
41.	Narmada Malwa Gramin Bank	Bank of India	199
42.	Ratlam Mandsaur Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	40
43.	Rewa Sidhi Gramin Bank	Union Bank of India	83
44.	Satpura Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	237
45.	Sharda Gramin Bank	Allahabad Bank	54
46.	Vidisha Bhopal Kshetriya Gramin Bank	State Bank of Indore	23
	MADHYA PRADESH TOTAL		1024
47.	Aurangabad Jalna Gramin Bank	Bank of Maharashtra	56
48.	Marathwada Gramin Bank	Bank of Maharashtra	242
49.	Ratnagiri Sindhudurg Gramin Bank	Bank of India	39
50.	Solapur Gramin Bank	Bank of India	33
51.	Thane Gramin Bank	Bank of Maharashtra	20
52.	Vidharbha Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	94
53.	Wainganga Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Bank of India	105
	MAHARASHTRA TOTAL		589
54.	Manipur Rural Bank	U.B.I	27
	MANIPUR TOTAL		27
55.	Khasi Jaintia Rural Bank	State Bank of India	51
	MEGHALAYA TOTAL		51
56.	Mizoram Rural Bank	State Bank of India	54
	MIZORAM TOTAL		54
57.	Nagaland Rural Bank	State Bank of India	8
	NAGALAND TOTAL		8

1	2	3	4
58.	Baitarni Gramin Bank	Bank of India	101
59.	Dhenkanal Gramin Bank	Indian Overseas Bank	54
60.	Kalinga Gramya Bank	UCO Bank	182
61.	Puri Gramin Bank	Indian Overseas Bank	114
62.	Rushikulya Gramin Bank	Andhra Bank	77
63.	Utkal Gramya Bank	State Bank of India	321
	ORISSA TOTAL		849
64	Faridkot Bhatinda Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Punjab & Sind Bank	22
65.	Malwa Gramin Bank	State Bank of Patiala	41
66.	Punjab Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	148
	PUNJAB TOTAL		211
67.	Baroda Rajasthan Gramin Bank	Bank of Baroda	267
68.	Hadothi Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	81
69.	Jaipur Thar Gramin Bank	UCO Bank	209
70.	Mewar Anchalik Gramin Bank	Bank of Rajasthan	58
71.	MGB Gramin Bank	State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur	205
72.	Rajasthan Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	195
	RAJASTHAN TOTAL		1015
73.	Pallavan Grama Bank	Indian Bank	50
74.	Pandyan Gramin Bank	Indian Overseas Bank	170
	TAMIL NADU TOTAL		220
75.	Tripura Gramin Bank	United Bank of India	88
	TRIPURA TOTAL		88
76.	Aryavrat Gramin Bank	Bank of India	293
77.	Ballia Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	87
78.	Baroda Eastern Uttar Pradesh Gramin Bank	Bank of Baroda	539
79.	Baroda Western Uttar Pradesh Gramin Bank	Bank of Baroda	116
80.	Devi Patan Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	77
81.	Etawah Kshetriya Bank	Central Bank of India	50
82.	Kashi Gomti Samyut Gramin Bank	Union Bank of India	336

1	2	3	4
83.	Kisan Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	55
84.	Kshetriya Kisan Gramin Bank	UP State Coop. Bank	63
85.	Lucknow Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Allahabad Bank	240
86.	Prathama Bank	Syndicate Bank	175
87.	Purvanchal Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	305
88.	Rani Lakshmi Bai Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	43
89.	Shreyas Gramin Bank	Canara Bank	183
90.	Triveni Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Allahabad Bank	208
91.	Uttar Pradesh Gramin Bank	Punjab National Bank	88
	UTTAR PRADESH TOTAL		2858
92.	Nainital Almora Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Bank of Baroda	58
93.	Uttaranchal Gramin Bank	State Bank of India	107
	UTTARANCHAL TOTAL		165
94.	Bangiya Vikash Gramin Bank	United Bank of India	547
95.	Paschim Banga Gramin Bank	UCO Bank	216
96.	Uttar Banga Kshetriya Gramin Bank	Central Bank of India	114
	WEST BENGAL TOTAL		877
	ALL INDIA TOTAL		14519

Shortage of coins

356. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government are well aware that there is an acute shortage of coins of Rs. 1/ Rs. 2 and Rs. 5 in the country as on date and public is in lot of difficulties for want of coins;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by Central Government for proper circulation and availability of the small coins in the country; and

(c) whether the small coins are black-mailed and shortage if created and if so, what action has been taken against the persons found guilding in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) to (c) Certain reports have appeared in the press and complaints from public/trade bodies have also been received regarding shortage of coins in certain markets. The following steps have been taken to augment the availability of coins: